

## **Broadwood Primary School**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we are currently in a National Lockdown and most children are working from home, it is an expectation that schools move to remote education to allow children to continue to access appropriate education from their school on a daily basis.

To ensure consistency, all children across school will be using Seesaw as the main digital tool for interactive remote learning. Your child will hopefully already be used to using this platform for their homework so the transition should be straightforward. If not, please click on the following link to watch a video for families on using seesaw. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9FyB1SCbeM

Can you please contact school as soon as possible if your child does not already have a home learning code to access their Seesaw journal and their class teacher will send a new one to you. We will also be including Seesaw codes in the paper packs of work that will be delivered to you in the near future.

This is how your child will receive and complete remote learning over the coming weeks.

- Children are expected to access and do their very best with the remote learning that their class teacher will set daily. If pupils are having trouble completing the remote learning, then please contact the school and we will arrange a phone call with the class teacher or a member of staff who will be able to help you
- If your child does not have access to an online device, please contact school and we will work with parents to discuss the best way forward. The school does have a limited number of devices and will be distributing these initially to those families who need them.
- Class teachers will upload English, Maths and afternoon project lessons such as Geography and Art to Seesaw each day. Video explanations or appropriate links to videos will be made and an activity task or worksheet template will be provided for your child to complete. These templates can be completed straight onto the Seesaw app or on a piece of paper and photographed. Staff will acknowledge and respond appropriately to work submitted.
- Teachers may also use websites and platforms that the school has subscribed to, such as Lexia and Times Tables Rockstars etc. Any work to be completed on these websites will be communicated by your child's class teacher through Seesaw.

















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- If your child is finding it difficult to complete the work, please inform their teacher as they can make changes to the work given and also provide additional support.
- School staff will make a courtesy phone call to any families of pupils who have not engaged with remote learning to see if we can offer any support. This is not to place additional pressure on families to complete certain amounts of work but to ensure that you and your child feels fully supported by school.
- There will be also a large bank of learning resources and links available on our school website in the Home Learning Section for your child's year group if you wish to undertake any extra learning tasks in addition to the daily Seesaw activities.
- Teachers will also set up a weekly zoom session so that they can speak to the children face to face.

We fully appreciate your patience whilst we have been setting up our plans for remote learning and we would like to thank you for your continued support.

During the next few days, we will also be delivering paper copies as additional home learning resources. They are completely optional for your child if they are confidently using seesaw! Seesaw codes will also be in these packs. It might also take a little while for families to access digital learning, therefore paper copies will hopefully keep the children busy during the day.

We believe it is extremely important for children to get into a daily routine for carrying out their learning tasks on seesaw. We appreciate how difficult it is to home school children for many parents. We only ask that you try your best to support your child\ren with their home learning.

Kind regards

Mrs Mitcheson













